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In re Patent Application of:  
William S. Bess et al.

Application No.: 09/535,005

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Art Unit: 1623

For: FAST DISSOLVING ORALLY  
CONSUMABLE FILMS CONTAINING AN  
ION EXCHANGE RESIN AS A TASTE  
MASKING AGENT

Examiner: E. Peselev

APPEAL BRIEF

MS Appeal Brief - Patents  
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Dear Sir:

As required under § 1.192, this brief is being timely filed within two months of the receipt of the Notice of Appeal on March 14, 2005, which is extended to May 16, 2005, the next business day to May 14. Should a fee be due, please charge deposit account 23-0455. This Appeal Brief is submitted in furtherance of said Notice of Appeal.

The fees required under § 1.191 are dealt with in the accompanying TRANSMITTAL OF APPEAL BRIEF.

This brief contains items under the following headings as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.192 and M.P.E.P. § 1206:

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| IV.  | Status of Amendments              |

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